Open 2010 Stockton Budget Priority

1. Please enter your Zip Code.			
		Response Count	
		799	
	answered question	799	
	skipped question	0	

2. Please rank the importance you place on the following City services.						
	Very Important	Important	Somewhat Important	Not Important	Don't Know	Response Count
Animal shelters	22.1% (161)	29.0% (212)	31.0% (226)	16.0% (117)	1.9% (14)	730
Bob Hope Theatre	6.6% (48)	14.2% (103)	28.7% (208)	49.5% (359)	1.0% (7)	725
Children's Museum	14.6% (106)	28.7% (209)	35.9% (261)	20.2% (147)	0.7% (5)	728
Civic Auditorium	5.2% (38)	18.6% (135)	33.2% (241)	41.2% (299)	1.7% (12)	725
Community Centers	20.7% (149)	33.7% (243)	26.2% (189)	18.7% (135)	0.7% (5)	721
Golf Courses	5.4% (39)	9.4% (68)	24.1% (175)	58.9% (427)	2.2% (16)	725
Graffiti removal	28.7% (208)	36.6% (266)	26.4% (192)	7.4% (54)	0.8% (6)	726
Library branches	44.0% (323)	27.1% (199)	17.3% (127)	10.8% (79)	0.8% (6)	734
Oak Park Ice Rink	15.2% (110)	14.4% (104)	28.5% (206)	40.4% (292)	1.4% (10)	722
Park maintenance	20.5% (150)	45.1% (330)	26.1% (191)	7.8% (57)	0.4% (3)	731
Street maintenance	37.0% (270)	42.0% (306)	16.0% (117)	4.4% (32)	0.5% (4)	729
Street trees	19.2% (139)	33.8% (245)	31.6% (229)	14.6% (106)	0.8% (6)	725
Swimming pools	9.2% (66)	21.5% (155)	32.3% (233)	35.8% (258)	1.2% (9)	721
Teen Center	16.2% (117)	29.6% (214)	24.2% (175)	28.5% (206)	1.7% (12)	724
answered question					red question	744
				skipp	ed question	55

3. Reductions in City services are going to take place. Listed below are areas where cuts could occur. Select your level of support for each of the listed areas.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Response Count
Close golf courses	37.0% (269)	24.9% (181)	20.5% (149)	10.9% (79)	6.9% (50)	728
Close park facilities	9.3% (67)	13.3% (96)	17.2% (124)	40.2% (291)	20.1% (145)	723
Close Community Centers	10.4% (75)	15.6% (113)	20.0% (145)	34.0% (246)	20.0% (145)	724
Close pools	20.3% (148)	23.4% (171)	23.0% (168)	22.9% (167)	10.4% (76)	730
Close ice rink	24.9% (182)	24.5% (179)	18.6% (136)	16.4% (120)	15.5% (113)	730
Close Civic Auditorium	24.8% (180)	25.9% (188)	25.1% (182)	17.8% (129)	6.3% (46)	725
Close library branches	8.7% (63)	11.7% (84)	10.1% (73)	28.6% (206)	40.9% (295)	721
Reduce the number of firefighters	29.8% (219)	17.7% (130)	11.3% (83)	13.3% (98)	27.9% (205)	735
Reduce the number of police officers	13.8% (101)	14.9% (109)	10.4% (76)	15.4% (113)	45.6% (334)	733
Reduce gang enforcement activities	5.6% (41)	8.5% (62)	13.3% (97)	28.2% (206)	44.5% (325)	731
Reduce street repair and maintenance	4.9% (36)	10.6% (77)	20.2% (147)	37.1% (270)	27.2% (198)	728
Reduce tree maintenance	13.0% (95)	24.5% (179)	24.0% (175)	27.5% (201)	11.0% (80)	730
answered question				744		
				skipp	ed question	55

4. If there was an election today, would you vote to approve any of the following tax increases to avoid additional cuts to City services?

	Strongly Approve	Approve	Neither Approve nor Disapprove	Disapprove	Strongly Disapprove	Response Count
Sales Tax increase of 1/4%	26.6% (195)	28.7% (211)	7.9% (58)	14.4% (106)	22.3% (164)	734
Utility Users Tax increase of 1%	20.2% (148)	22.6% (165)	14.2% (104)	16.8% (123)	26.1% (191)	731
Parcel Tax increase	17.0% (124)	19.2% (140)	16.0% (117)	20.6% (150)	27.2% (198)	729
911 Emergency Dispatch Tax	19.5% (142)	24.5% (178)	14.4% (105)	14.6% (106)	27.0% (196)	727
	answered question					738
	skipped question					61

5. Would you vote to approve a tax increase if the funds were only used to maintain City services at the current level in any of the following areas?

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Response Count
Police Department	34.5% (253)	21.3% (156)	10.5% (77)	11.3% (83)	22.4% (164)	733
Fire Department	21.9% (160)	18.9% (138)	13.9% (101)	16.2% (118)	29.1% (212)	729
Library Services	26.6% (195)	24.0% (176)	18.0% (132)	14.3% (105)	17.1% (125)	733
Recreation Services	18.6% (135)	21.4% (155)	20.8% (151)	19.9% (144)	19.3% (140)	725
Street Repair & Maintenance	18.5% (135)	33.0% (241)	20.3% (148)	12.6% (92)	15.6% (114)	730
answered question				738		
	skipped question				61	

6. Select which option you feel is the best for dealing with the current budget crisis.						
	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Response Count
Work with employees to get pay and benefit cuts	33.0% (215)	28.4% (185)	11.7% (76)	14.6% (95)	12.4% (81)	652
Reduce City services	12.3% (80)	32.1% (208)	17.6% (114)	24.2% (157)	13.7% (89)	648
Raise revenue through tax and fee increases	19.2% (125)	29.3% (191)	16.3% (106)	13.7% (89)	21.5% (140)	651
A combination of all of the above	26.2% (172)	27.9% (183)	22.7% (149)	10.7% (70)	12.6% (83)	657
answered question				722		
	skipped question				77	

7. If City employees agreed to pay and benefits cuts, would you be more likely to vote in favor of tax increases?				
		Response Percent	Response Count	
Strongly Agree		19.3%	139	
Agree		24.0%	173	
Neither Agree nor Disagree		20.6%	149	
Disagree		15.2%	110	
Strongly Disagree		20.9%	151	
	answered question		722	
	skipped question		77	

8. Do you have any final thoughts the Mayor and Council should consider as they work to approve a balanced budget for the 2010 - 2011 fiscal year?		
		Response Count
		464
	answered question	464
	skipped question	335

9. Are you male or female?				
		Response Percent	Response Count	
Male		42.6%	298	
Female		57.4%	402	
	answere	ed question	700	
skipped question		ed question	99	

10. What is your current age?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
18 - 24 years		3.4%	24
25 - 34 years		17.5%	123
35 - 44 years		25.4%	178
45 - 54 years		25.1%	176
55 - 64 years		19.5%	137
65 years or older		9.0%	63
	answere	ed question	701
	skippe	ed question	98

11. How many years have you lived in Stockton?				
		Response Percent	Response Count	
Less than 2 years		2.4%	17	
2 - 5 years		7.9%	56	
6 - 10 years		8.7%	61	
More than 10 years		75.9%	535	
I don't live in the City of Stockton		5.1%	36	
	answered question		705	
	skippe	ed question	94	

12. Do you own your home or rent?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Own		79.9%	562
Rent		16.2%	114
Other		3.8%	27
answered question		703	
skipped question		96	

13. Does your household include school aged children?				
		Response Percent	Response Count	
Yes		48.2%	334	
No		51.8%	359	
	answere	ed question	693	
	skipped question		106	

14. What do you expect your total household income to be in the current year?				
		Response Percent	Response Count	
Less than \$24,999		5.0%	34	
\$25,000 to \$49,999		20.7%	140	
\$50,000 to \$99,999		49.3%	334	
\$100,000 or more		25.0%	169	
	answer	ed question	677	
	skipped question		122	